

\$25. Fee

VILLAGE OF BERRIEN SPRINGS

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FENCE APPLICATION

VALUE OF WORK: _____

Job Address _____ Tax Code# _____

Property Owner _____ Phone # _____

Property Owner Address _____

Applicant/contractor _____

DESCRIBE WORK: A sketch/drawing showing the property lines and the location of any buildings on the property on which the fence is to be constructed shall be submitted to the Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator prior to the onset of nay construction activity. The location of the proposed fence shall also provide information about the type of fence to be constructed, including height. Sketch on reverse side of this form.

A copy of the fence ordinance is provided to each applicant and this form shall be signed by said applicant indicating that they have been provided with a copy of the ordinance and that they have read and agree to abide by the ordinance.

SIGNATURE _____ Date ____/____/____
Must be signed by applicant

IMPORTANT SEE REVERSE SIDE

NOTES TO PROPERTY OWNER OR FENCE BUILDER

- **Before job is started, call MISS DIG, 1-800-482-7171.**
- Check for easements on property.
- Finish side of fence to the outside, or neighboring property.
- Boundary, property or survey lines must be properly determined prior to the placement of a line fence. The Village assumes no responsibility in determining property lines. A survey may be required prior to fence installation.
- **The property owner is to notify the Building Inspector/Zoning Administration before actual fence is erected.**

Approved by: _____ Date ___/___/___
Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator

Sketch Area: (See Describe Work on front page)

Village of Berrien Springs, Michigan Comprehensive Zoning Amendment - 2008

Section 15.14 - Fences. All fences hereinafter constructed in the Village of Berrien Springs shall conform to the following standards:

1. Construction of a fence shall require issuance of a zoning compliance permit issued by the Building Inspector, prior to construction or erection of the fence.
2. All fences shall be constructed to present a finished outside fence appearance to adjacent property and public right-of-ways by either:
 - A. Symmetrical construction having identical inside and outside face appearance including main anchor posts and frame members.
 - B. Offset construction with main anchor posts and horizontal and vertical frame members visible on inside face only and vertical and horizontal face members or materials mounted on outside surface of frame and anchor post members.
4. Fences shall not exceed four (4) feet in height in the front yard, the area between the front property line and the front building line, and fences located in the side or rear yard behind the front building line of the principal structure shall not exceed six (6) feet in height.
5. Any form of electrified and/or barbed wire, barbwire, or single strand wire fence or barrier is prohibited in all Residential Districts.
6. Barbed wire, barbwire or any form of single strand wire fence or barrier is prohibited in any Commercial or Industrial District except for the installation as cap wires on industrial grade cyclone type fence having a minimum height from ground level of six (6) feet.
7. No fence shall inhibit corner vision requirements of Article XV, Section 15.10.
8. Any fence maintained in violation of this section shall be deemed a hazard to public health and welfare and shall constitute a violation of this Ordinance.